WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A compound having the formula

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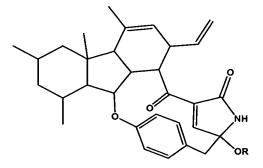
2. A method of treating a mammal affected by bacterial infections, which method comprises administering to said mammal an effective amount of the compound of Claim 1.

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3. A pharmaceutical composition comprising an effective amount of the compound of Claim 1 together with a pharmaceutical acceptable carrier.

4. A compound having the formula:

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where R is lower alkyl of 1 to 6 carbon atoms.

- 5. A method of treating a mammal affected by bacterial infections, which method comprises administering to said mammal an effective amount of a compound of Claim 4.
- A pharmaceutical composition comprising an effective amount of a compound of
 Claim 4 together with a pharmaceutical acceptable carrier.
 - 7. The compound of Claim 4, where R is methyl and having the formula

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8. A process for the preparation of antibiotic Cyan426-A which comprises cultivating *Cylindrocarpon* sp. NRRL30632 designated LL-Cyan426 or a mutant thereof under aerobic conditions, in a sterile liquid medium containing assimilable sources of carbon, nitrogen and inorganic anion and cation salts, until substantial antibiotic activity is imparted to said medium by the production of Cyan426-A and recovering and isolating antibiotic Cyan426-A.

9. A process for the preparation of compounds of the formula:

5 which comprises reacting a compound of the formula

with an alcohol ROH where R is lower alkyl of 1 to 6 carbon atoms in the presence of an acid and isolating the compounds having the formula:

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10. The compound according to Claim 9 where R is CH₃ having the formula

- 5 11. The acid according to claim 9 which is hydrogen chloride.
 - 12. A process for the preparation of antibiotic Cyan426-A which comprises cultivating *Cylindrocarpon* sp. NRRL30632 designated LL-Cyan426 or a mutant thereof on moist milk filter paper on the surface of a solid agar medium containing malt extract, peptone and yeast extract and incubated under stationary conditions at about 22°C until substantial antibiotic activity is imparted to said medium by the production of Cyan426-A and recovering and isolating antibiotic Cyan426-A.

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